

September 27, 2001

NEW HAMPSHIRE TECHNICAL GUIDE HANDBOOK NOTICE NO. 11

To: All Holders of the New Hampshire Technical Guide Handbook

To meet NH Business Plan objectives, every NRCS and Conservation District Office will have a hard copy of Section II of the Field Office Technical Guide (FOTG) that is appropriate for their area of responsibility. Many portions of Section II are available on the NRCS website and if not contained within the hard copy version, are appropriately referenced. Coos County has the first electronic version of Section II of the FOTG. The Web Site is:

(http://www.nh.nrcs.usda.gov/Soil_Data/FOTG/Coos/Coos_FOTG_contents.htm).

Please make the following changes and updates to the Field Office Technical Guide:

SECTION II – Natural Resources Information

1. Update office copies of Section II of the FOTG, for which you have responsibility, according to the enclosed instructions. Attached are hard copies of reports and more specific instructions for each NRCS and Conservation District Office. Please note that Section II of the Field Office Technical Guide has changed its name from Soil and Site Information to Natural Resources Information.
2. Move the Climatic Data, Cultural Resources Information and Threatened and Endangered Species List from Section I to Section II for all the NRCS and Conservation District office copies of Section II you are responsible for.
3. Move the "SPI for Current Use Assessment of Farmland in NH" from Section I to Section II for all the NRCS and Conservation District office copies of Section II you are responsible for.
4. District Conservationists that have a satellite District office, will provide a hard copy of Section II, FOTG for that county to the District Administrator.

It is important to note that there is soil information and a data dictionary to clearly define each attribute within each soil survey area on the NH NRCS website in an MS EXCEL spreadsheet and MS ACCESS database. The information on NH NRCS's website is the most current information and takes precedence over historical soil information found in soil survey publications and in the hard copy version of Sect. II of the FOTG. To view the soil information

for your county, at the NH NRCS homepage select "NH Soils Information" and then "Soil Survey Attribute Data".

If you are missing soil information or have any questions, please call Kathy Swain, Soil Scientist, Dataset Manager.

SECTION IV – Standards and Specifications

Remove and Destroy	Insert
Old Table of Contents dated July 14, 2000	New revised List of Standards and Specifications dated September 27, 2001
Standard 449 – Irrigation Water Management dated 5/75	Standard 449 – Irrigation Water Management dated June, 2001
Standard 395 – Fish Stream Improvement dated 5/82	Standard 395 - Stream Habitat Improvement and Management dated June, 2001
Standard 766 – Restoration and Management of Natural Ecosystems	
Standard 606 – Subsurface Drain dated 2/84	Standard 606 – Subsurface Drain dated September, 2000
Standard 612 – Tree Planting dated 6/85	Standard 612 – Tree/Shrub Establishment dated April, 2000

Please note that these and other recently revised standards are available on the NH Home Page for use and reference under Publications.

File this notice in the front of Section I of the Field Office Technical Guide Handbook after completing required actions.

GERALD LANG
ASTC - Programs

Enclosure
Revised Section II Material
Revised Section IV Standards and Specifications